



WITCH: Status and Perspectives

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Overview



- Weak interaction and motivation **WITCH**
- Experimental Setup
- Nov 2006 ^{124}In -run
- Oct 2007 ^{35}Ar -run
- Improvements
- Conclusion and Outlook

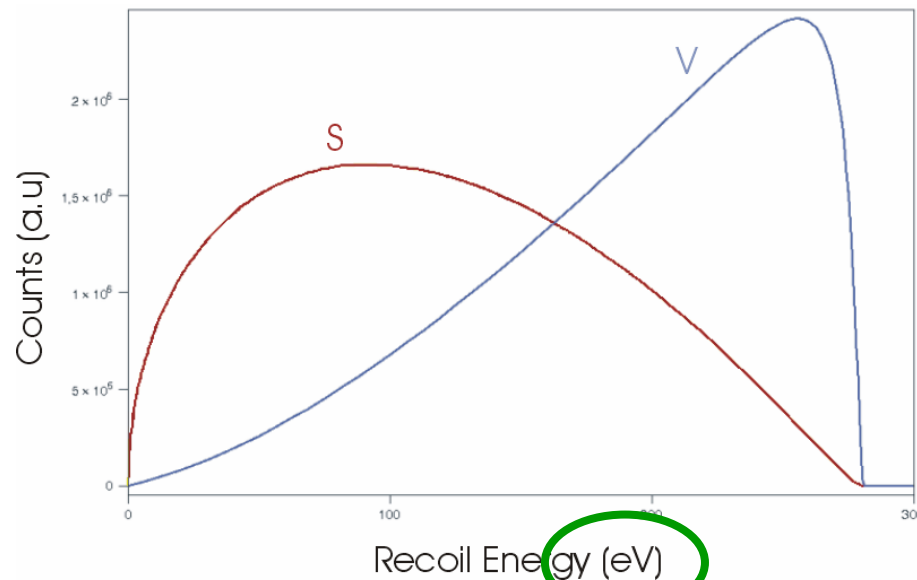
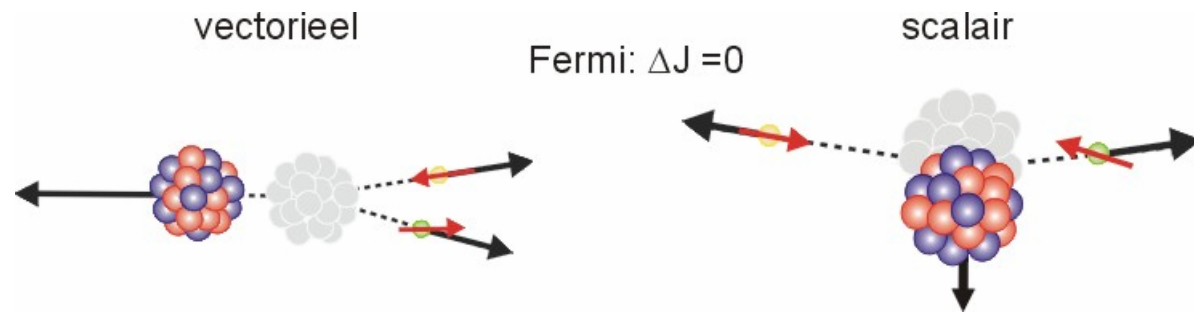
WWeak
IInteraction
TTrap for
CHarged Particles

Motivation



$$\mathcal{H} = g \sum_{j=S,V,A,T,P} (\bar{\psi}_p \mathcal{O}^j \psi_n) (\bar{\psi}_\beta \mathcal{O}_j (C_j + C'_j \gamma_5) \psi_\nu) + h.c.$$

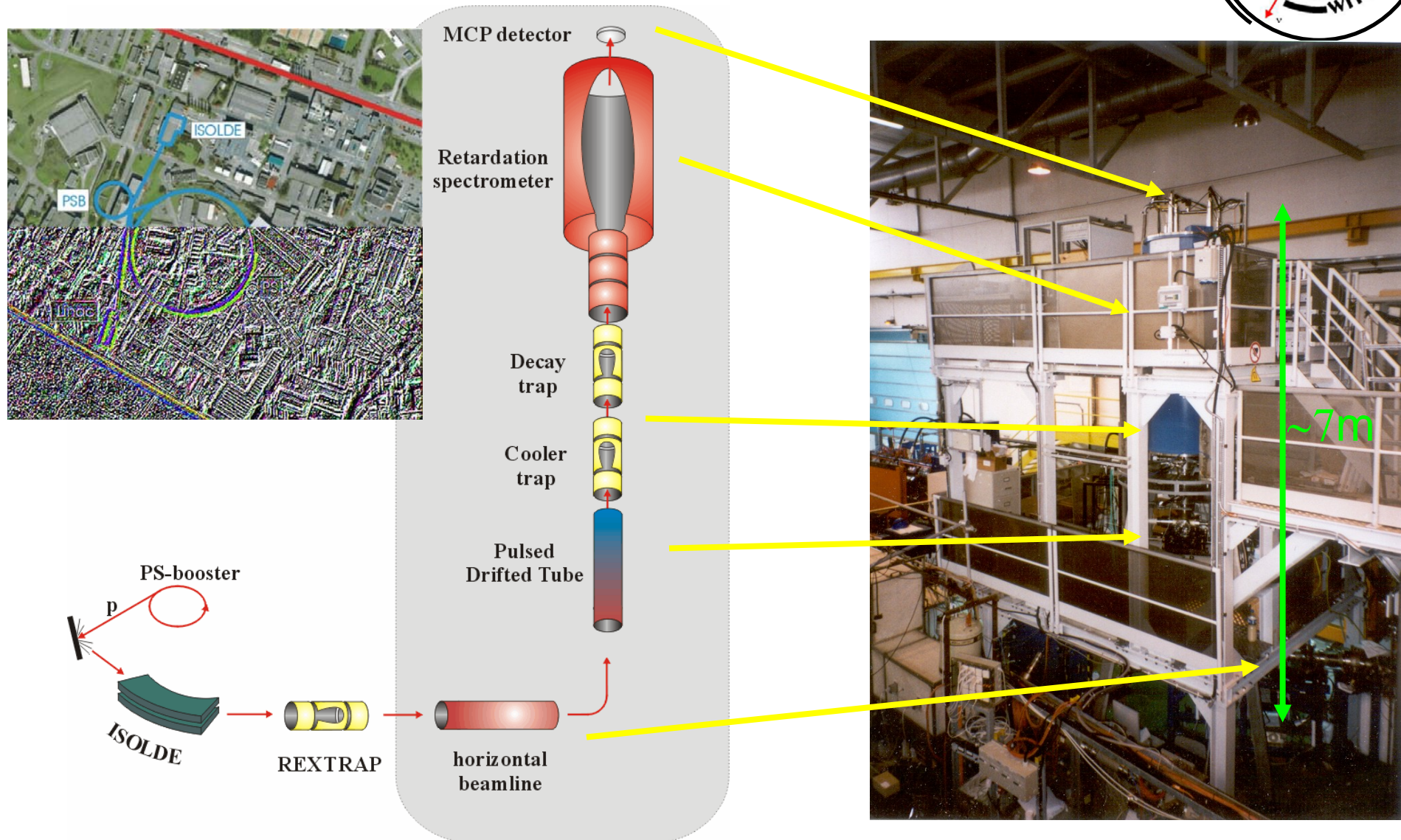
EXP: $|C_S/C_V| < 0.07$
 $|C_T/C_A| < 0.09$



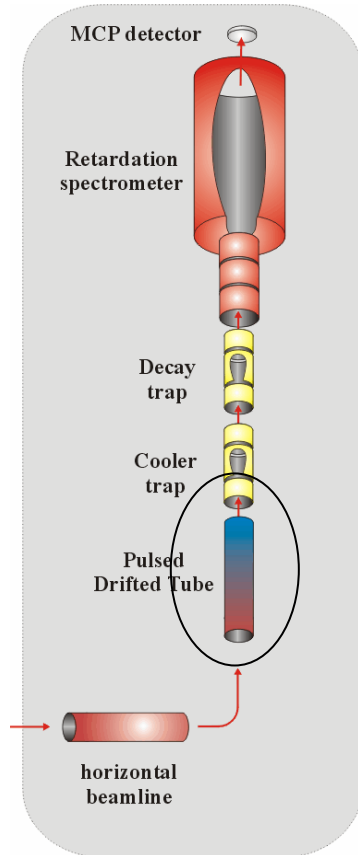
=>Search for scalar (or Tensor) Interactions
 =>measure recoil spectrum

Low energy!
 =>Need for scattering free source

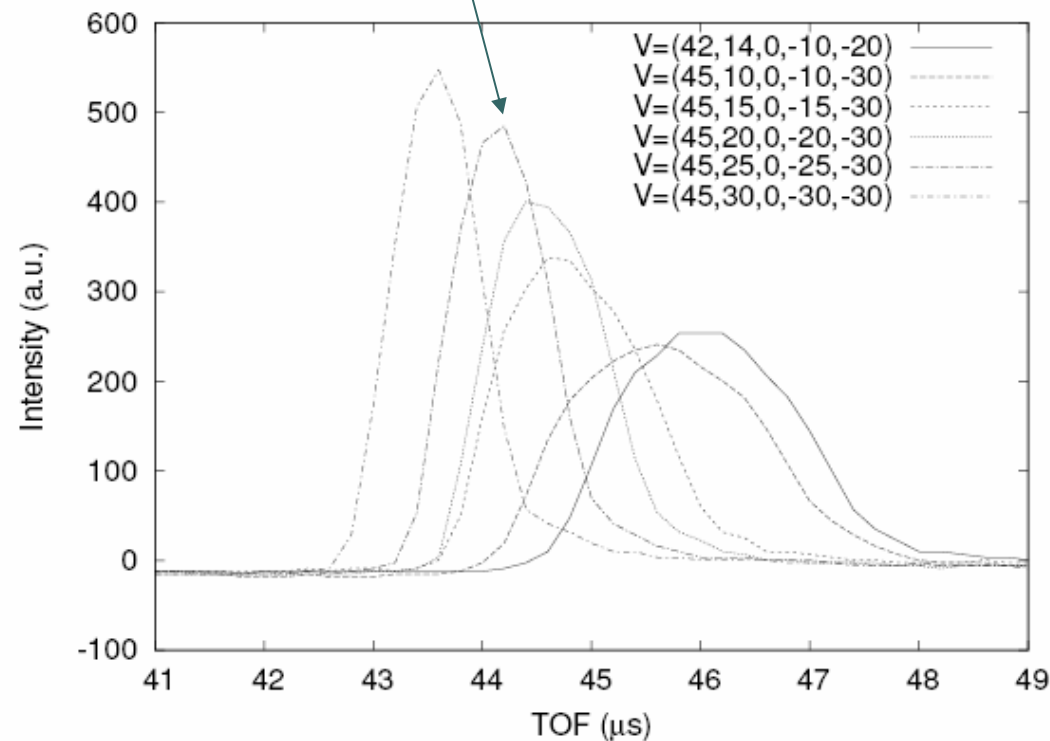
Experimental Setup



Pulsed Drift Electrode



Improved PDT efficiency by
shortening beam pulse delivered
by REXTRAP

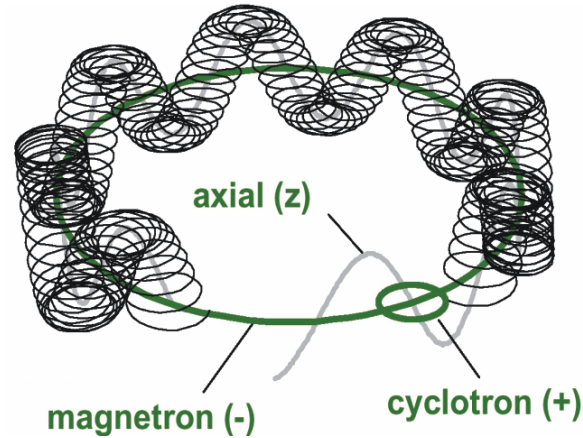
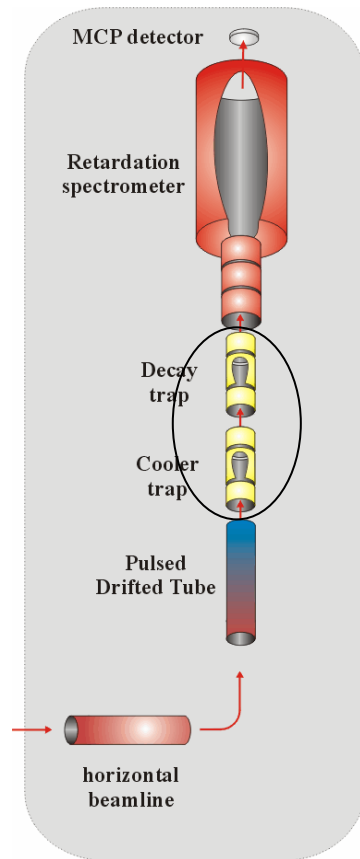
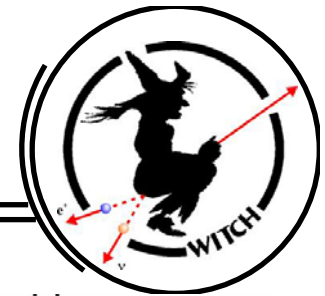


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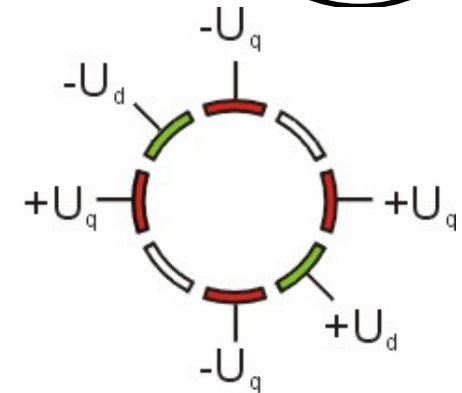
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Penning Trap



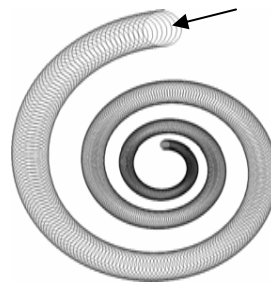
$$\omega_+ \approx \omega_c = \frac{qB}{m}$$

$$\omega_- = \frac{U_0}{2Bd^2}$$



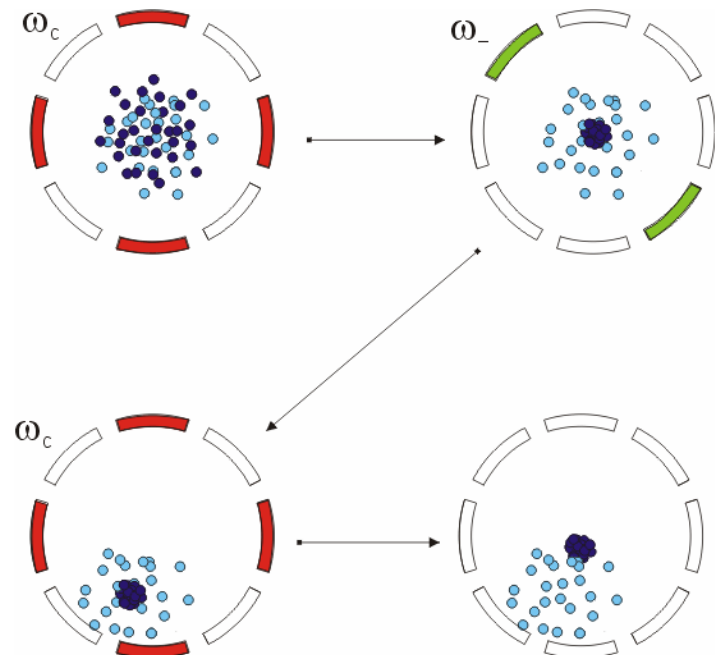
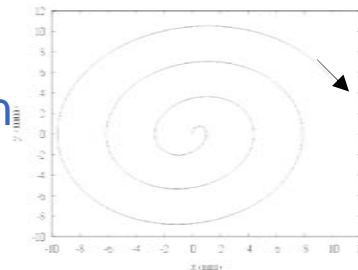
Quadrupole
Excitation

$$U_q, \omega_c$$



Dipole
Excitation

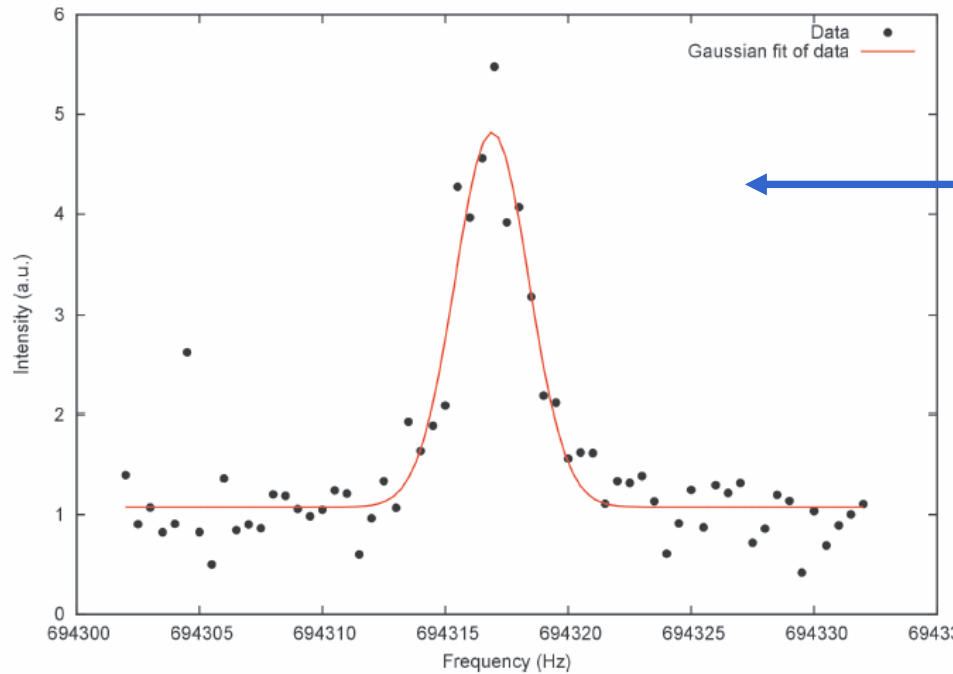
$$U_d, \omega_-$$



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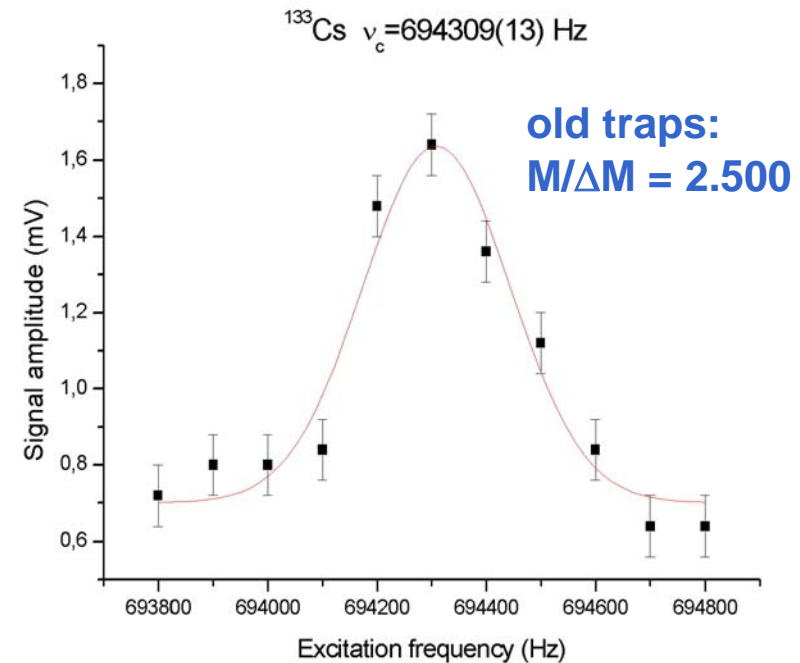
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Improved mass res.

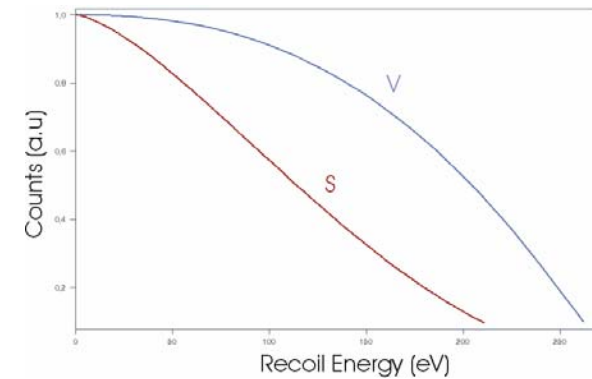
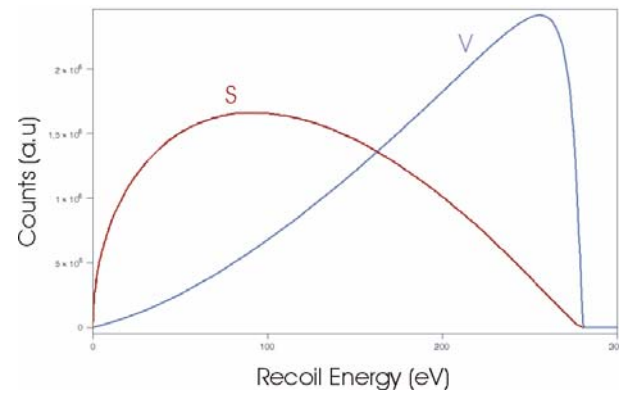
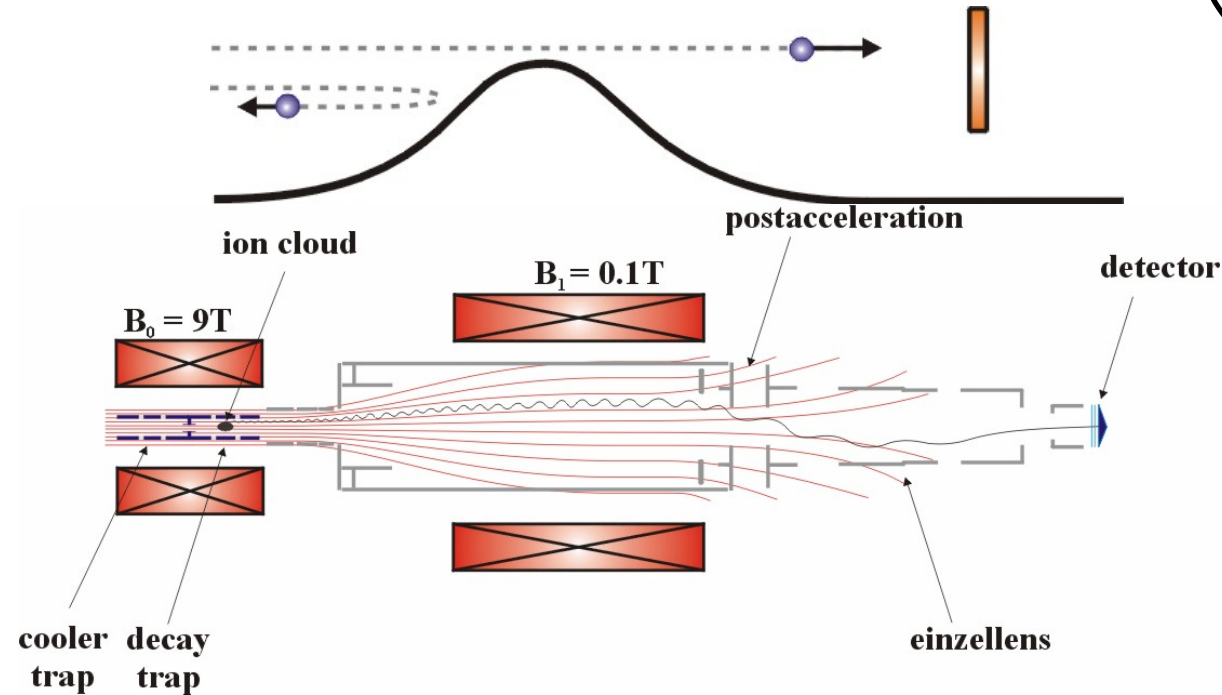
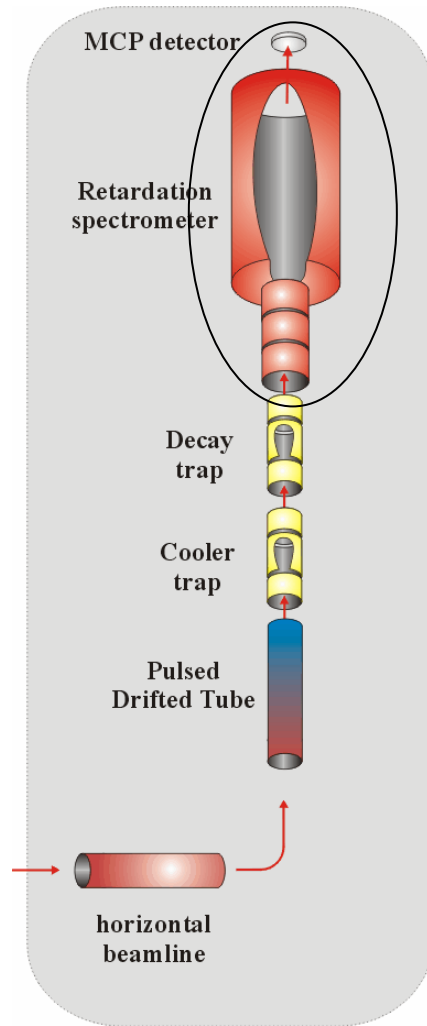


New and better coated traps
 $M/\Delta M = 200.000$

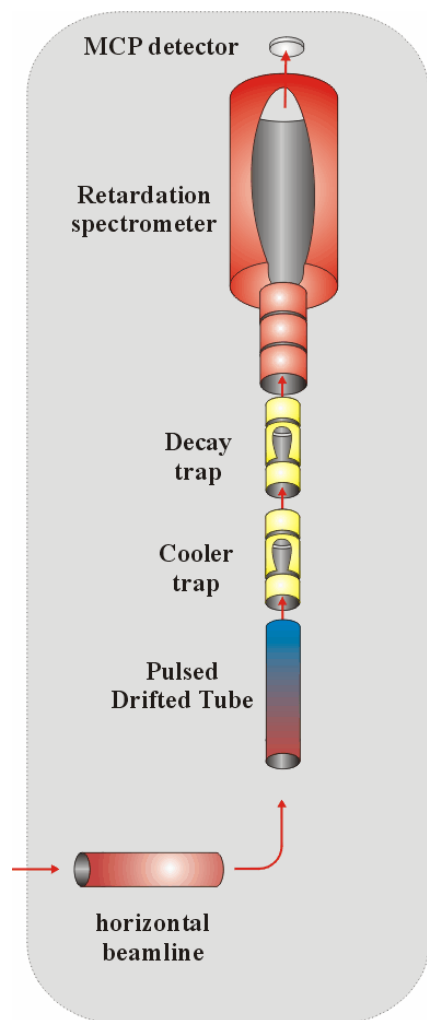
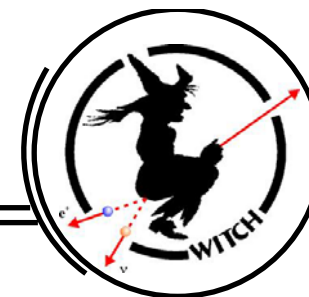
^{133}Cs cooling resonances



Retardation Spectrometer



Efficiency Overview



	ideal	2004	2007
HBL	100%	100%	100%
PDT	100%	~8%	50-100%
injection in magnetic field	100%	~1%	~20%
Cooler trap	100%	45%	45%
transfer between traps	100%	80%	80%
Decay trap	100%	100%	100%
fraction of ions from trap to spectr.	40%	45%	45%
fraction with lowest charge after decay	10%(*)	10%(*)	10%(*)
transmission through spectrometer	100%	100%	~100%
MCP efficiency	60%	50%	52%
<u>Total efficiency</u>	~1%	~0,001%	~0,1%

(*) ~80% if β^- decay

Choice of isotope



- 1 Production yield at ISOLDE $> 10^6$ - 10^7 particles per second
- 2 Halflife: order of 1 s
- 3 Low ionization potential (charge-exchange)
- 4 Preferably β^- -decay (shake-off)
- 5 Daughter isotope stable
- 6 Minimal isobaric contamination
- 7 Simple decay scheme

^{35}Ar : not 3 and 4

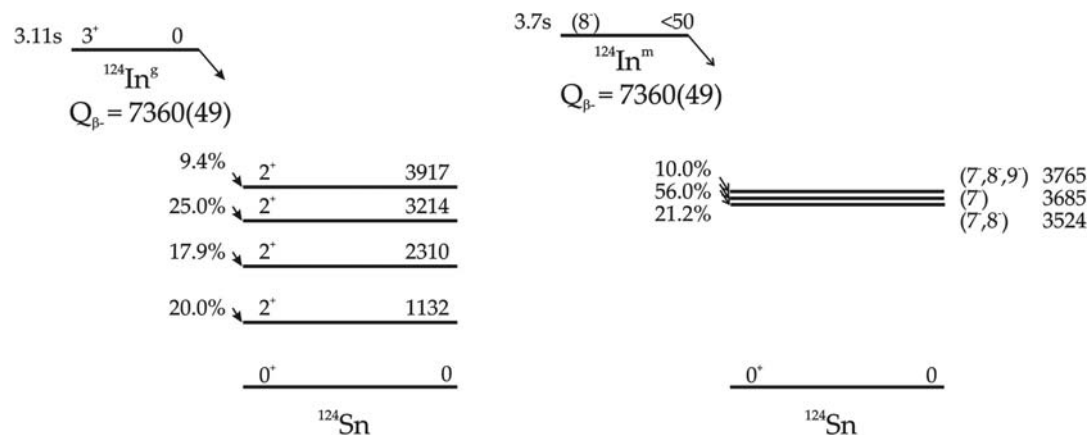
Beam wanted: $^{122}\text{gIn} \rightarrow \beta^-$ -decay $T_{1/2} = 1.5$ s

NOT PRODUCED, all $^{122}\text{In}^{m1,2}$

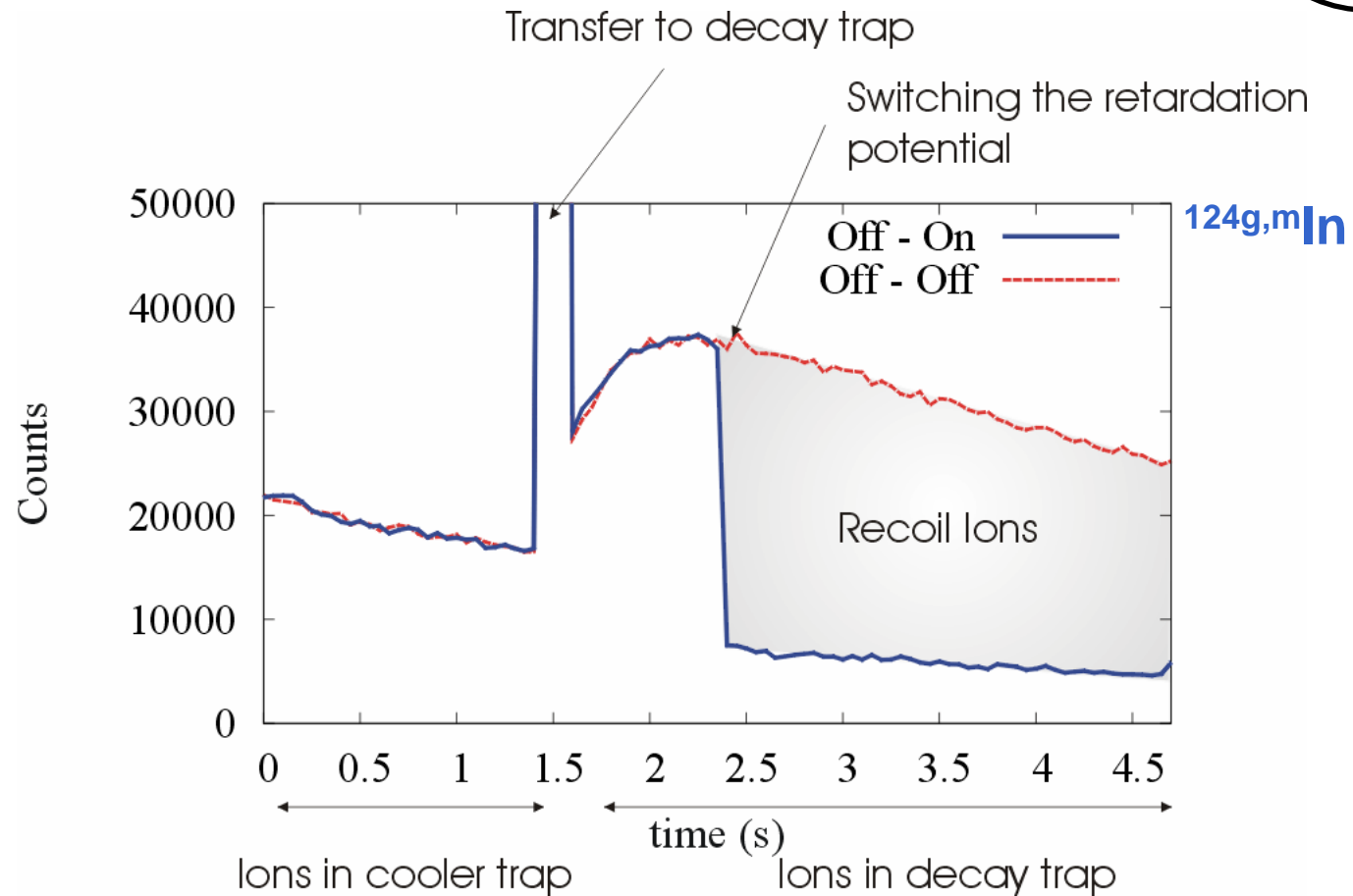
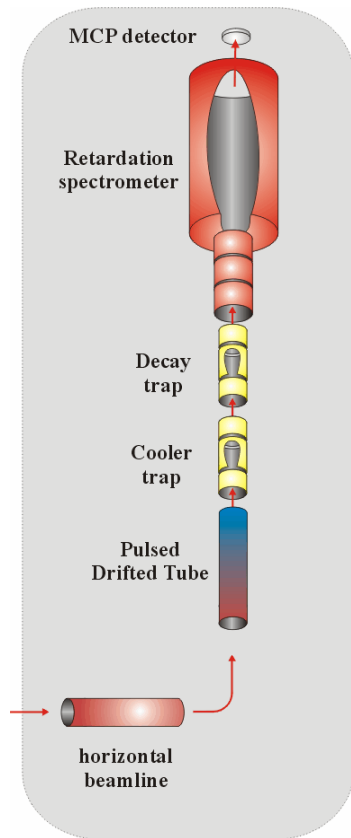
Beam used: $^{124}\text{gIn} + ^{124}\text{mIn}$
decay scheme is more complex

$T_{1/2}(^{124}\text{gIn}) = 3.11(10)$ s

$T_{1/2}(^{124}\text{mIn}) = 3.7(2)$ s



Results nov 2006

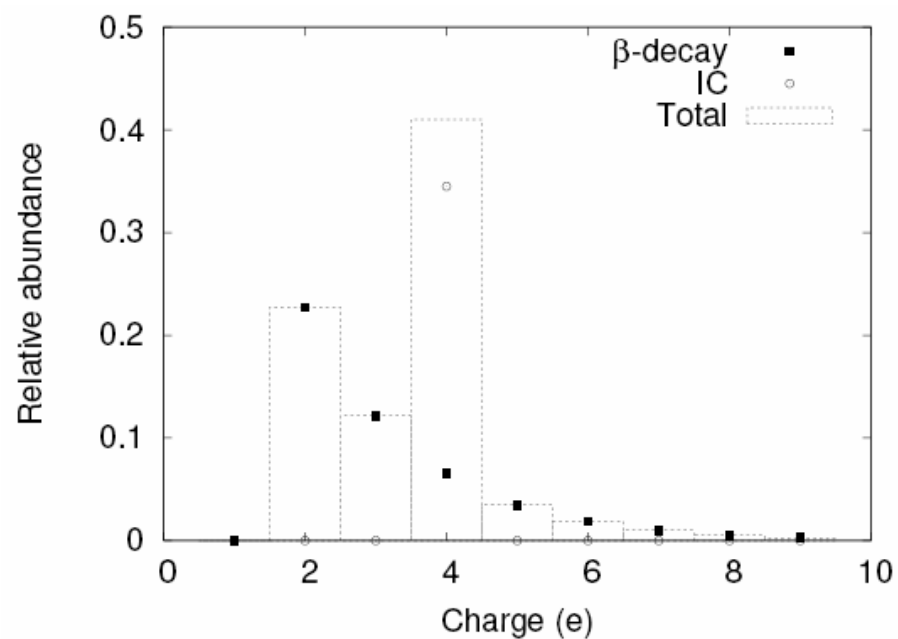


First observation of recoil ions with WITCH

Results nov 2006



charge state distribution of ^{124}Sn recoil ions



→ pure β shake-off

sudden change of el potential for the orbital electrons

→ Auger processes

β^- -decay off In-ion: 2+ state

Auger cascade of loosely bound 5s electrons ($4d^{10} 5s^2$)

\Rightarrow 4+ state

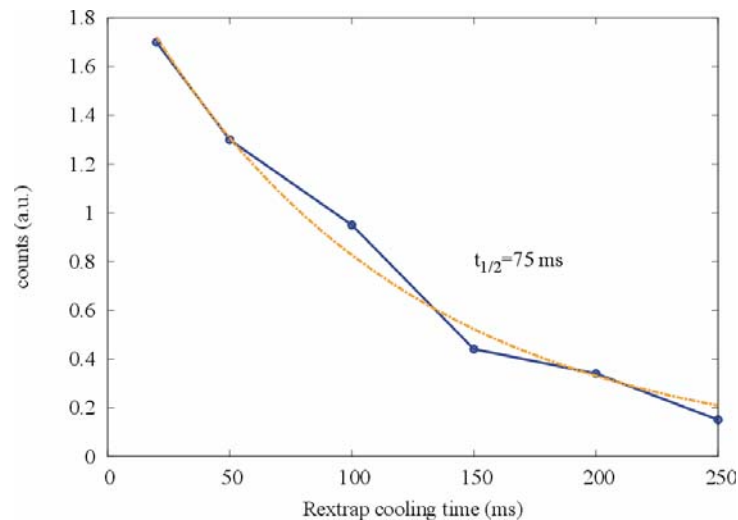
Auger cascade is created by the removal of an inner orbital electron.

First run on ^{35}Ar



failed due to:

- >> **contamination with stable ^{35}Cl** (Cl in the cleaning agent to clean the ion-source)
- > losses of ^{35}Ar due to **charge exchange in REXTRAP** (improvements planned)
- > losses of ^{35}Ar due to **charge exchange in WITCH** (vacuum upgrade ongoing)
- **'secondary ions'**, ('Penning traps' in spectrometer ?)



Improvements



ISOLDE
(Ar-test
5-9 may)

- use “**Cl-free**” target material and target cleaning procedure
- remove remaining ^{35}Cl with **selective mass cooling in REXTRAP**
- **increase Ar lifetime in REXTRAP**

WITCH
Short time

- improve WITCH **vacuum** to $\leq 1 \times 10^{-9}$ mbar (NEG coated electrodes)
- improve **buffer gas system**
- study origin of ‘**secondary ions**’ and solve problem
- **pulsed buffer gas injection in PenningTraps** (further cooling after transfer)

WITCH
longer time

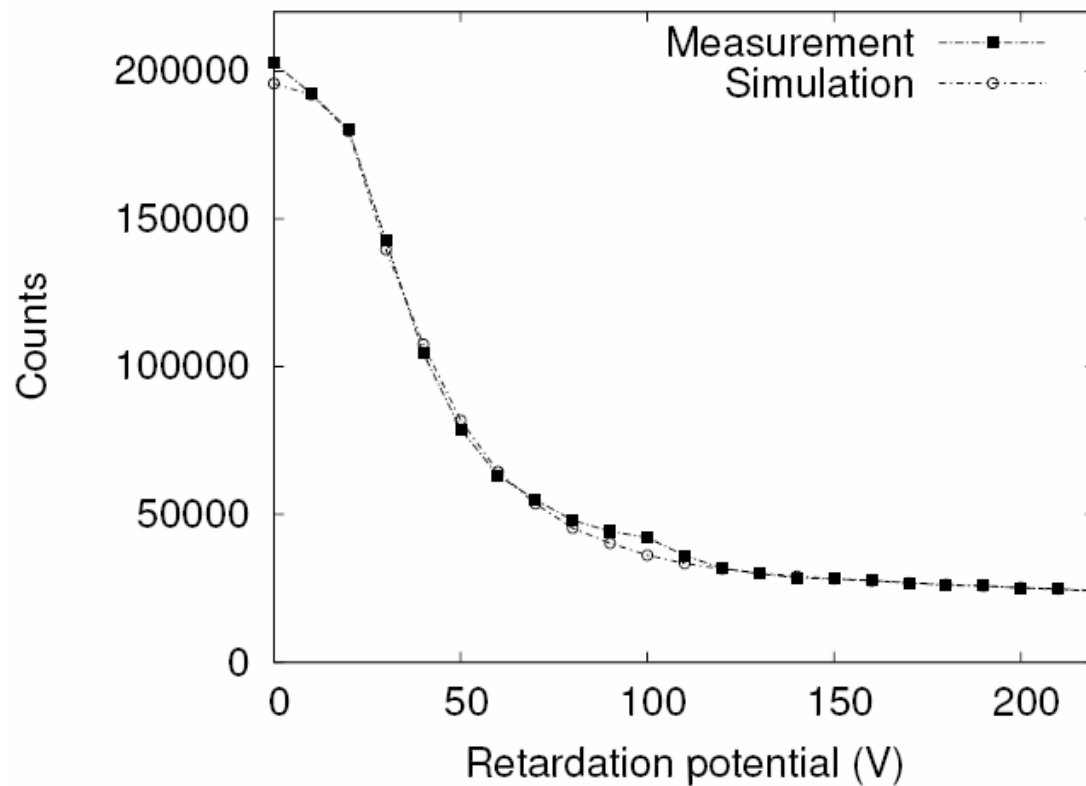
- **new support structure** for Penning traps (e.g. to add detectors)
- **install magnetic shielding** (→ independent from REX-ISOLDE, they use much beamtime)
- **improve intensity of WITCH 60 kV RFQ ion source** (→ independent from REXTRAP)
- **building TAPESTATION** for in-trap for mass separation

Conclusion and Outlook

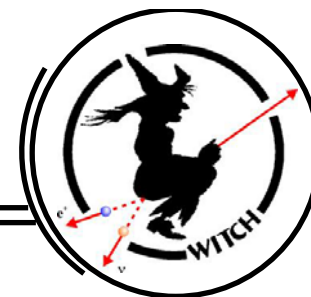


- Improved efficiency of the total setup.
- First recoil spectrum measured.
- First measured charge state distribution for a non noble-gas.
- Proof of principle is given.
- Lots of problems (Vacuum, secondary ionisation!,...)
-> next run, hopefully at the end of this year.

Results nov 2006



integral energy spectrum
for ^{124}Sn recoil ions



Element	Configuration	Auger maximum (EC or IC)
Ar	$2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$	3 [22]
Kr	$3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6$	5 [21]
Xe	$4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^6$	8 [20]
In^{1+}	$4d^{10} 5s^2$	4 [this work]

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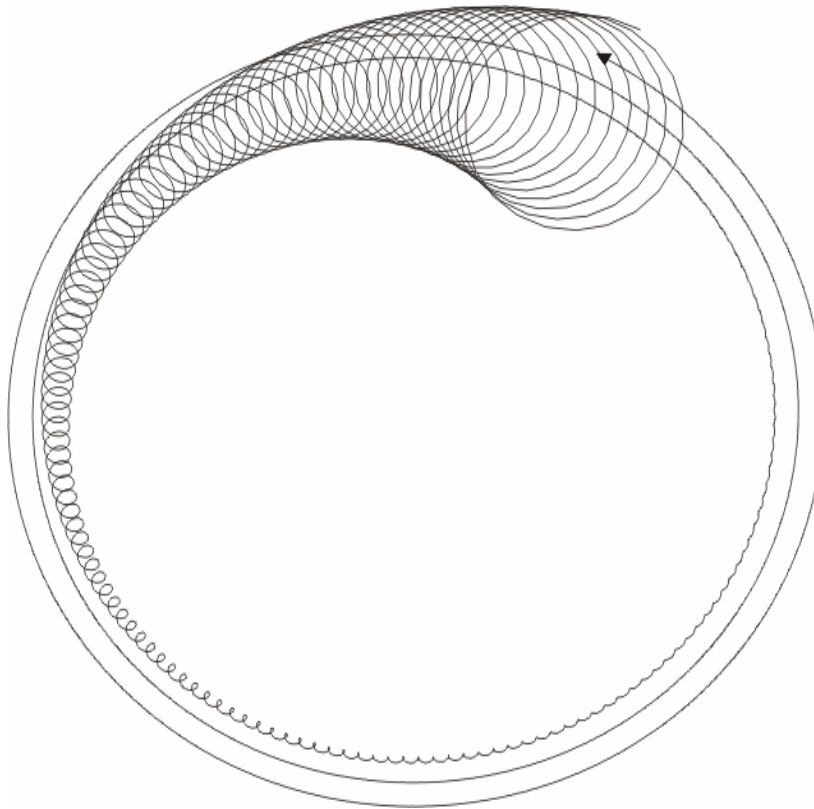
[buffergas]



In eerste benadering dempingskracht

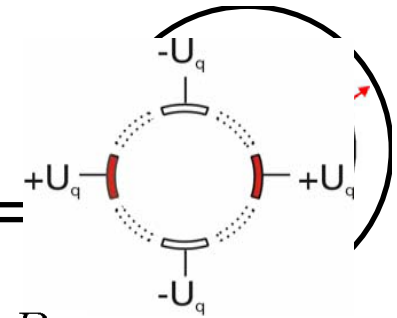
$$\mathbf{F}_D = -\delta m \dot{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$\delta \propto p/T$$



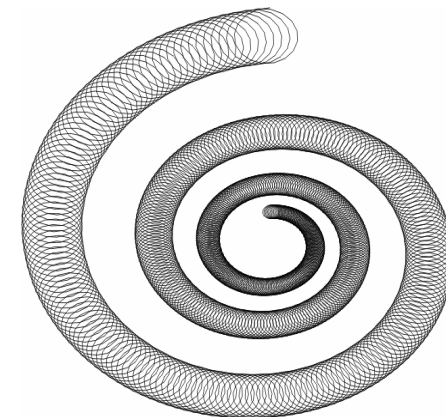
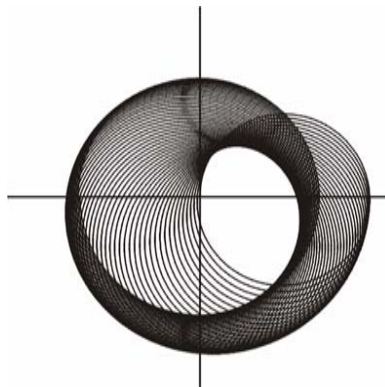
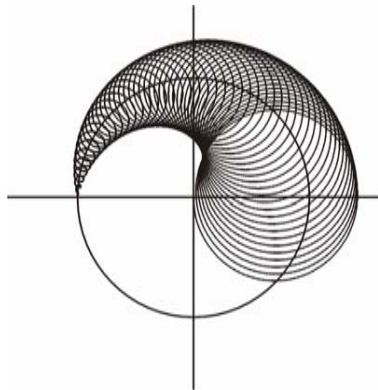
cyclotronstraal daalt ~ 20 ms
magnetronstraal stijgt ~ 200 s

[quadrupool]



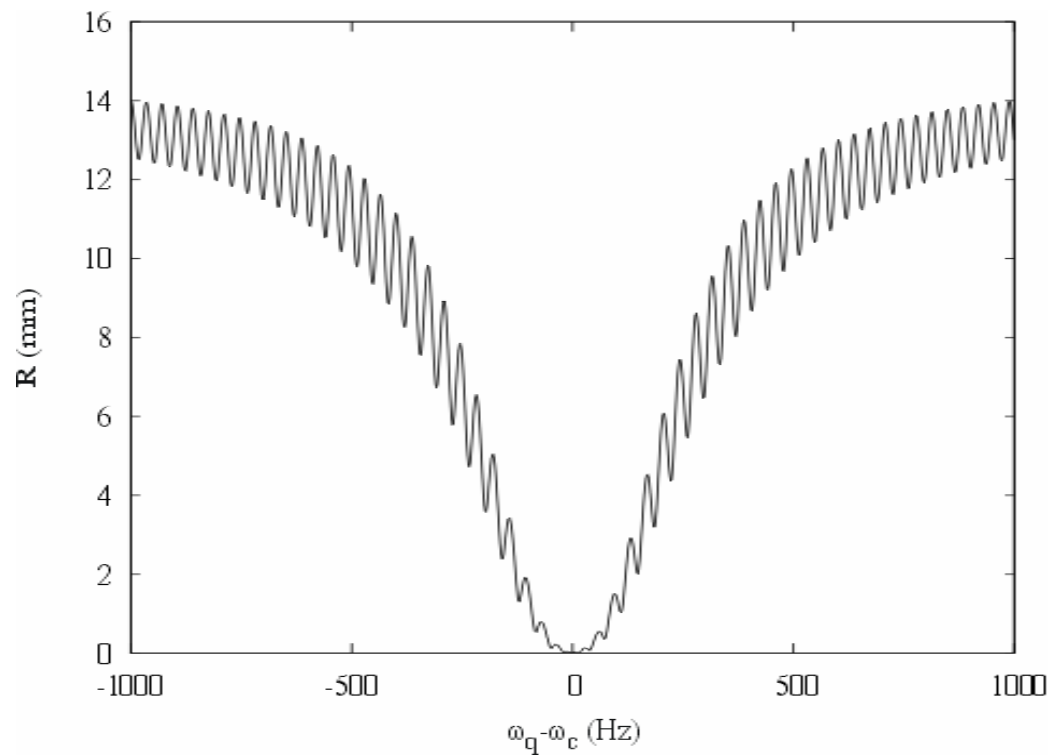
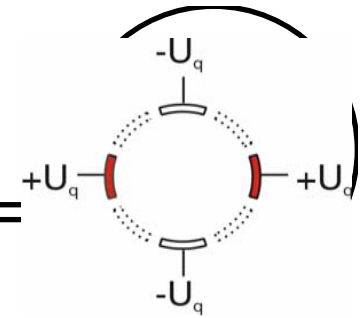
$$\Phi_q = \frac{U_q}{\rho_0^2} \cos(\omega_q t - \phi_q) \cdot (x^2 - y^2) \quad \omega_c = \frac{qB}{m}$$

Continue omzetting van magnetronbeweging in cyclotronbeweging. En vice-versa.



Quadrupolexcitatie ω_c + buffergas \rightarrow cyclotronbeweging verliest energie door buffergasbotsingen
 \rightarrow de afstand van ion tot centrum daalt.

[massresolution]



Frequentiescan geeft informatie over
massaresolutie via: $\omega_c = \frac{qB}{m}$

$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = \frac{\Delta m}{m}$$

vb: ^{35}Ar scheiden van ^{35}Cl

[Witch v2.0]



- Bad vacuum: ionization in system
- Charge exchange in traps with Noble gasses
- Secondary ionization (no solution yet)

[Witch v2.0]



- Getter strips
- Remove all teflon (peek?)
- Electro polishing of electrodes
- Pulsed buffergas (also good considering known Temp for fitting puls high distribution)